## CAMERON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH



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## **Cameron County Confirms Additional COVID-19 Cases**

Cameron County Public Health has received confirmation of eleven (11) additional cases of COVID-19. The cases include seven (7) individuals from Brownsville between the ages of 9 to 46 years old with 4 females and 3 males, including a nine year-old child. Four (4) of the seven (7) individuals were linked to two previously reported cases, while two are travel-related and one is community transmission. The other four remaining cases include a 36 year-old and a 43 year-old male from Harlingen with one having reported travel and the other identified as community-transmission case. A 66-year old female from San Benito and 29 year-old male from Rio Hondo were also reported, both as community transmission cases. This brings the total to 37 cases of COVID-19 in Cameron County.

Cameron County Public Health continues operations as part of the COVID-19 response plan and is conducting the epidemiological investigations to identify others who may have been exposed and test the individuals showing signs and symptoms. Cameron County Public Health will continue to monitor the situation and provide updates as they are received.

Cameron County continues to emphasize the importance of following prevention methods:

- Practice physical distancing by keeping your distance 6 feet from others.
- If you are sick, call your doctor and home isolate.
- Do not go outside the home unless it is absolutely necessary.
- Practice good hygiene practices for everyday prevention measures, including frequent handwashing.
- Covering when coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.

For information on coronavirus, please contact the Cameron County Coronavirus Hotline at (956) 247-3650, Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., or refer to the Cameron County Public Health website for more information and updates at http://www.cameroncounty.us/publichealth/index.php/coronavirus/. Additionally, it is encouraged to visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at https://www.cdc.gov/ for daily updates.